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### **EOEEA Secretary Ian Bowles to present Annual Awards for Excellence in Energy and Environmental Education at Statehouse**

**WHAT:** Ian Bowles, Secretary of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, will host the 14<sup>th</sup> annual Secretary's Awards for Excellence in Energy and Environmental Education. The event recognizes schools throughout the Commonwealth that have made great efforts and strides related to environmental issues. Whether it's creating a nature trail or identifying vernal pools or finding ways to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, the State awards individual schools for going above and beyond the required science curriculum. Nominations were taken from December until March from grades K-12 and focused on schools that were voluntarily incorporating energy and environmental issues into their curriculum or after school program. Twenty-three schools will be honored with monetary awards and two non-profit programs will receive Certificates of Honor.

**WHO:** Energy and Environmental Affairs Secretary Ian Bowles.  
Ann Berwick, Undersecretary for Energy, Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs.  
James S. Hoyte, Associate Vice President, Harvard University. Also a board member of the Massachusetts Environmental Trust.

Tim Rayworth, Co-Chair, Secretary's Advisory Group on Energy and Environmental Education and members of the Advisory Group.

**WHEN:**      **Monday**      **May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2008**      **Time: 11:30 a.m.**

**WHERE:**      Massachusetts State House, Great Hall

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